# **New JLARC responsibility**

- Racial and ethnic impact statements (REIS) for proposed criminal justice legislation
  - Legislation enacted during 2021 Special Session I (§ 30-19.1:13)
- Assess potential disparities in criminal justice outcomes for racial and ethnic subgroups compared to their share of the population
- Some other states and municipalities conduct similar assessments

# Up to six REIS per regular session

- Conducted at request of
  - House Courts of Justice Committee chair
  - Senate Judiciary Committee chair
- Up to 3 REIS per chair, per regular session

Note: Stipulated by § 30-19.1:13.

### **Proposed policies and procedures**

- Request emailed to JLARC director or associate director
- Completed REIS
  - Emailed to both courts and judiciary chairs
  - Attached to bill in Legislative Information System
  - Posted to JLARC website
- Issued before committee's last opportunity to act on bill, time permitting

### **Commission discussion and vote**

 Request Commission to discuss and vote on proposed REIS policies and procedures

### **JLARC** staff for this service

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Other JLARC staff as needed